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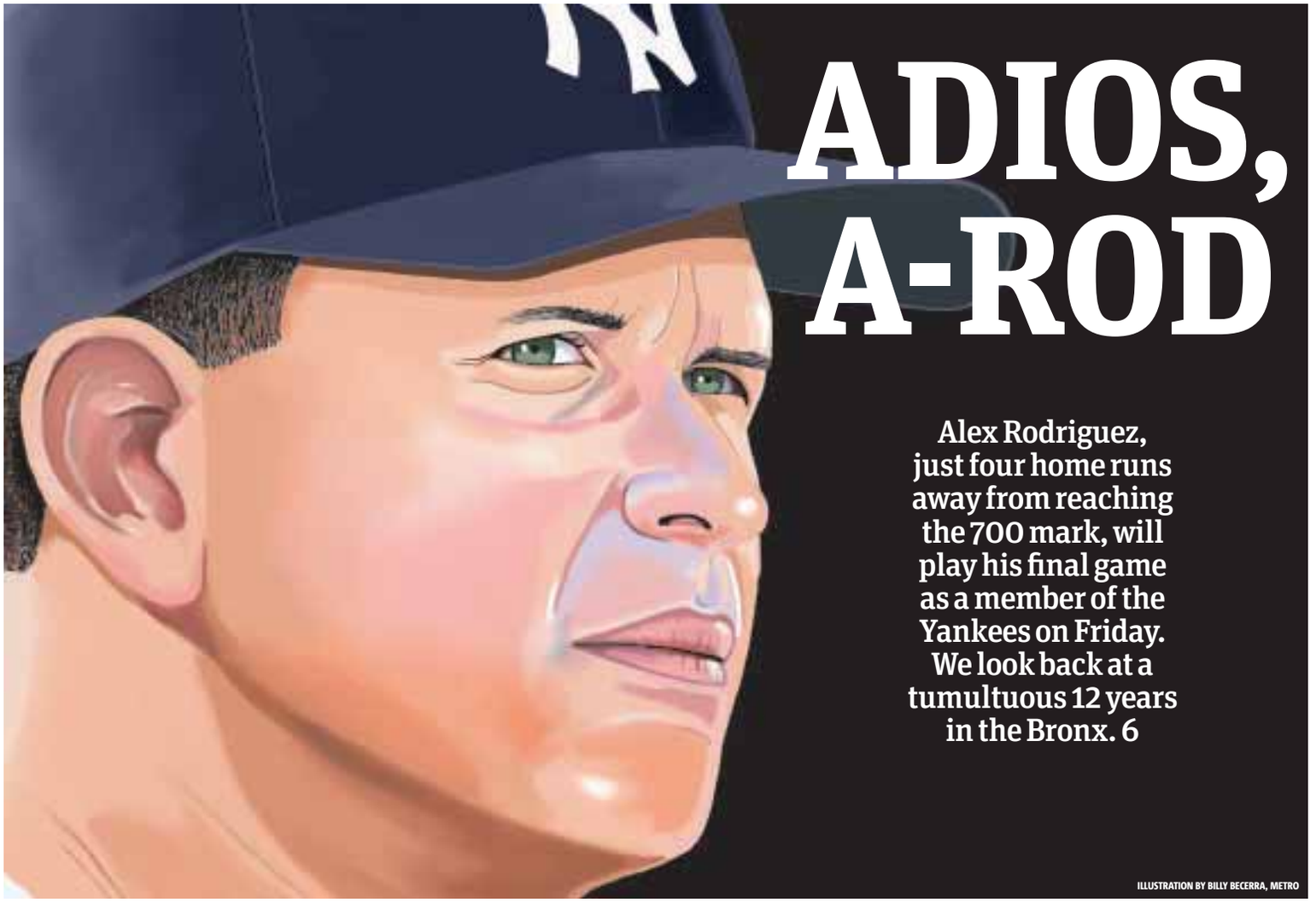

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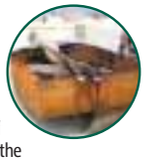
IRAN EXECUTES NUCLEAR SCIENTIST FOR SPYING FOR US

Iran has executed an Iranian nuclear scientist detained in 2010 when he returned home from the United States, after a court convicted him of spying for Washington, a spokesman for the judiciary said on Sunday. "Through his connection with the United States, [Shahram] Amiri gave vital information about the country to the enemy," Gholam-Hossein Mohseni-Ejei told a weekly news conference, state news agency IRNA reported. Mohseni-Ejei said a court had sentenced Amiri to death and the sentence had been upheld by Iran's supreme court, IRNA said. REUTERS

ISIS CLAIMS CAPTURE OF US WEAPONS IN AFGHANISTAN

2 Militants linked to Islamic State have released photos that purport to show weapons and equipment that belonged to American soldiers and were captured by the group in eastern Afghanistan. The photos, which came to light on Saturday, show an American portable rocket launcher, radio, grenades and other gear not commonly used by Afghan troops, as well as close-up views of identification cards for a U.S. Army soldier, Spc. Ryan Larson. The U.S. military command in Kabul denied any suggestion the soldier had been captured, saying he "has been accounted for and remains in a duty status within his unit." American special operations troops have been fighting alongside Afghan forces in a renewed offensive against militants who claim allegiance to Islamic State in Nangarhar Province, which borders Pakistan. REUTERS

CUBA BLAMES US OPEN DOOR FOR MIGRANT SURGE



3 Havana blamed Washington for a surge of Cubans trying to reach the U.S. by land and sea, accusing the Obama administration of encouraging illegal and unsafe immigration. Tens of thousands of Cubans over the last two years have flocked to the border and taken to the sea in hopes of reaching Florida, fearing a growing detente between the Cold War foes will lead to a change in U.S. policy. Under a 1960s law, the Cuban Adjustment Act, the Communist-run country's citizens are treated as legal immigrants if they set foot on U.S. soil, while migrants from any other land are considered illegal. A government statement carried by media and announcing the arrival of 14 Cubans deported by Colombia, said they were the "victims of the politicization of the migration issue by the U.S. government which stimulates illegal and unsafe immigration." REUTERS

A heat wave will be descending on the Northeast later this week, making subway travel uncomfortable. GETTY IMAGES

NEXT HEAT WAVE ON DECK

Bolaris' Weather Watch

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Temperatures remained very warm Sunday with a few locations kissing 90 degrees in the Northeast, but it didn't feel that way because of a drop in humidity. As the saying goes, "It's not the heat, it's the humidity."

You should be able to lighten up on your deodorant Monday and Tuesday as humidity levels will remain lower. Your subway ride will feel a bit more pleasant. There's nothing worse than being squeezed in like human sardines on a hot summer day and the air conditioning goes on the blink.

So enjoy it while it lasts because the heat and humidity will make a big-time comeback for the second half of this week, and could last through the weekend.

The humidity will arrive Wednesday, along with scattered showers and thunderstorms, with temperatures in the 80s from Philly and New York City to Boston.

The heat wave will commence on Thursday, with temperatures soaring into the 90s along with a ton of humidity all along the Interstate 95 corridor.

The big question is, just how hot and just how far north will the heat penetrate? Philadelphia and New York City should be full-on into it and a couple of models extend it into New England as well. The other question is, just how widespread will storms become by this weekend?

Right now, my thinking is it should be quite stormy this weekend, especially on Sunday. This will put somewhat of a lid on the temperature surge, but the humidity levels will put us in the steam-bath category. Whether we hit 90 or above through the weekend, or a couple of notches below, it's just a matter of semantics.

New York

Today: Sunshine, low humidity, High 87

Tuesday: Suntastic, High 86

Wednesday: Humidity jumps up, scattered storms, High 88

Thursday: Hot and humid, afternoon storm, High 91

Friday: Hot and humid, High 91

Weekend

Saturday: Humid, storms, High 90

Sunday: Widespread storms, humid, High 87

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Algonquin Hotel fetes its famous feline

Tenth anniversary cat fashion show benefitting animal alliance honors adopted cats through the decades.

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The Algonquin Hotel's chief cat officer Alice de Almeida holds Matilada III. ALGONQUIN HOTEL

Few mascots have had the storied history enjoyed by the Algonquin cat, arguably the most famous feline resident of Times Square's venerable Algonquin Hotel.

Wednesday, the hotel will continue its annual celebration of its famous cat — currently Matilda III — with a party from 5-7:30 p.m. in the hotel's iconic lobby to mark the 10th anniversary of the hotel's cat fashion show.

The Algonquin cat traces its origins to the 1930s, when a stray cat came wandering into the hotel looking for food and water. The hotel has had a total of 11 cats to date and each cat that has reigned at The Algonquin has been a rescue. The current Matilda began her residence in December 2010.

The theme of the cat fashion show, by pet designer Ada Nieves, will be Through the Decades, honoring iconic looks of the hotel's most famous guests and patrons from Al Hirschfeld and Marilyn Monroe to John Barrymore.

"Every year I look forward to creating pieces for The Algonquin's event and help raise funds for felines in need," said Nieves. "After all, the event is about the kitties and we have 10 amazing 'purrfect' ones celebrating with Matilda on this special occasion."

In honor of the 10-year anniversary, the hotel hopes to raise $10,000 for the Alliance for NYC's Animals with an online auction and prizes including two tickets and a backstage meet and greet with the cast of the brand new revival of "Cats" private consultation and cat tree house by Pet Tree Houses, as well as a private walking tour hosted by author and historian, Kevin Fitzpatrick.

"Matilda's Party is our favorite event of the year," said General Manager Manuela Rappenecker. "Matilda is such an important part of our hotel's history, we have had a resident cat since the 1930s, and she is 11th in the line."

Rappenecker added that Matilda's popularity is now global with people from Japan, Russia and even as far as New Zealand sending gifts every year.

In addition, there will be an on-site mobile adoption unit parked in front of the hotel from 3-7 p.m.

Guests attending the event are encouraged to wear their best feline inspired outfits.

Matilda, a bit on the pampered side, is looked after by the hotel's chief cat officer, Alice de Almeida.

Further, the hotel's executive chef cooks Matilda special meals on holidays.

Matilda also constantly receives fan mail and gifts from around the world. Social-media savvy, Matilda can be found on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram in addition to email.

"We are delighted to be a part of Matilda's celebration at the Algonquin Hotel again this year," said Jane Hoffman, president of the Alliance for NYC's Animals. "To celebrate Matilda is to celebrate all cats and the important role they play in our lives."

For more information on ticket sales and additional prizes, visit 501auctions.com/algonquincelebration.

Brooklyn authors vie for literary award

Borough's library has announced the contenders for its Eagles Prize.

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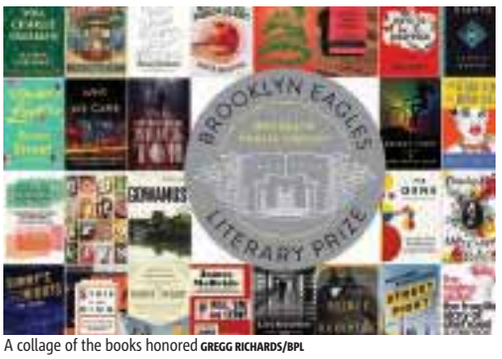
The Brooklyn Public Library is holding its second annual Brooklyn Eagles Literary Prize competition. The longlist of authors was chosen by borough bookstores. The award is given to one fiction author and one nonfiction author who have lived in Brooklyn, portrayed the borough in their work or addressed themes relevant to its life and culture.

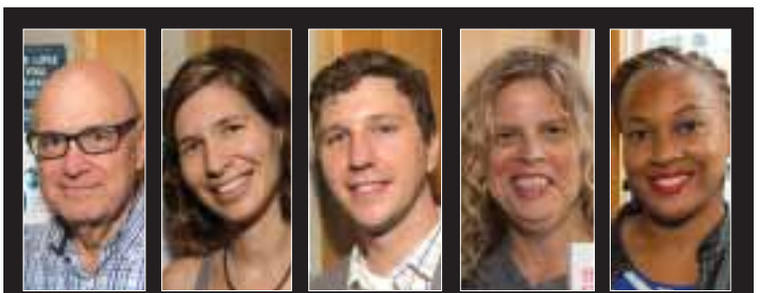
"Much like the shelves that house Brooklyn Public Library's more than 3 million books, this year's Eagles Prize longlists are filled with established authors and rising stars whose work expresses the spirit of Brooklyn, however broadly defined," said the library's president and CEO Linda E. Johnson. "The award celebrates the authors, booksellers, librarians and readers who have made Brooklyn the most literary borough in America's most literary city."

The Brooklyn Eagles Literary Prize fiction and nonfiction shortlists, selected by committees of librarians, will be announced in September. From there, a panel of celebrated authors will choose one winning work from each category. The awards will be presented on Oct. 21 at the Brooklyn Classic, the Eagles' annual fundraiser.

The Brooklyn Eagles, a group of young Brooklyn Public Library supporters, created the Brooklyn Eagles Literary Prize in 2015.



A collage of the books honored GREGG RICHARDS/BPL



From left: Mike Silver, Idra Novey, Kristopher jansma, Chef Rossi and Naomi Jackson

The longlists

Brooklyn Eagles Literary Prize longlist, fiction

- Jami Attenberg: "Saint Mazie" (Grand Central Publishing)
- Boris Fishman: "Don't Let My Baby Do Rodeo" (Harper)
- Kaitlyn Greenidge: "We Love You, Charlie Freeman" (Algonquin Books)
- Samantha Hunt: "Mr. Splitfoot" (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)
- Naomi Jackson: "Star Side of Bird Hill" (Penguin Press)
- Kristopher Jansma: "Why We Came to the City" (Viking)
- Victor Lavalle: "The Ballad of Black Tom" (Tor.com)
- Rick Moody: "Hotels of North America" (Little, Brown and Company)
- Tanwi Nandini Islam: "Bright Lines" (Penguin Books)
- Sylvain Neuvel: "Sleeping Giants" (Del Rey)
- Idra Novey: "Ways to Disappear" (Little, Brown and Company)
- Helen Phillips: "The Beautiful Bureaucrat" (Henry Holt and Co)
- Emma Straub: "Modern Lovers" (Riverhead Books)

Brooklyn Eagles Literary Prize longlist, nonfiction

- Joseph Alexiou: "Gowanus: Brooklyn's Curious Canal" (NYU Press)
- Mary E. Buser: "Lockdown on Rikers: Shocking Stories of Abuse and Injustice at New York's Notorious Jail" (St. Martin's Press)
- Molly Crabapple: "Drawing Blood: A Memoir" (Harper)
- James McBride: "Kill 'Em and Leave: Searching for James Brown and the American Soul" (Spiegel & Grau)
- Paul Moses: "An Unlikely Union: The Love-Hate Story of New York's Irish and Italians" (NYU Press)
- Siddhartha Mukherjee: "The Gene: An Intimate History" (Scribner)
- Anastasia Cole Plakias: "The Farm on the Roof: What Brooklyn Grange Taught Us About Entrepreneurship, Community, and Growing a Sustainable Business" (Avery)
- Chef Rossi: "The Raging Skillet: The True Life Story of Chef Rossi" (The Feminist Press)
- Janette Sadik-Khan: "Streetfight: Handbook for an Urban Revolution" (Viking)
- Melissa Schreiber Vaughan and Susanne König: "Made in Brooklyn: An Essential Guide to the Borough's Artisanal Food & Drink Makers" (powerHouse Books)
- Mike Silver: "Stars in the Ring: Jewish Champions in the Golden Age of Boxing: A Photographic History" (Lyons Press)
- Tim Sultan: "Sunny's Nights: Lost and Found at a Bar on the Edge of the World" (Random House)
- Shane White: "Prince of Darkness: The Untold Story of Jeremiah G. Hamilton, Wall Street's First Black Millionaire" (St. Martin's Press)

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				2 people	🧍🧍	$19,612 - $29,000
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				3 people	🧍🧍🧍	$23,589 - $32,640
				4 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍	$23,589 - $36,240
3 bedroom	$745	1	→	3 people	🧍🧍🧍	$27,395 - $32,640
				4 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍	$27,395 - $36,240
				5 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍🧍	$27,395 - $39,160
				6 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍🧍🧍	$27,395 - $42,040
Studio	$788	6	→	1 person	🧍	$28,355 - $38,100
1 bedroom	$847	16	→	1 person	🧍	$30,412 - $38,100
				2 people	🧍🧍	$30,412 - $43,500
2 bedroom	$1025	18	→	2 people	🧍🧍	$36,549 - $43,500
				3 people	🧍🧍🧍	$36,549 - $48,960
				4 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍	$36,549 - $54,360
3 bedroom	$1182	5	→	3 people	🧍🧍🧍	$42,378 - $48,960
				4 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍	$42,378 - $54,360
				5 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍🧍	$42,378 - $58,740
				6 people	🧍🧍🧍🧍🧍🧍	$42,378 - $63,060

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A-ROD WAS THE FIGUREHEAD OF THE DETERIORATION OF THE YANKEES

Alex Rodriguez fights back tears Sunday in the Bronx. GETTY IMAGES

MATT BURKE

OPINION

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One of the oddest careers in sports history is fittingly ending in one of the oddest ways possible.

Alex Rodriguez will play his final game in a Yankees uniform this coming Friday against the Tampa Bay Rays at Yankee Stadium. A-Rod is set to become a "special adviser" to the Yankees next season, but it's hard to imagine him playing pepper with Gleyber Torres every other day next spring in Florida — let alone having any sort of input in the Yankees' front office decisions before his contract officially expires on Dec. 31, 2017.

Despite all the relative goodwill A-Rod has built up in the year-plus since he returned from his yearlong suspension, the Yankees' surely can't wait until this coming Saturday morning when they no longer have to deal with No. 13. Saturday morning, they will be able to wash their hands clean of the mess that was A-Rod in New York.

Yes, A-Rod helped bring the Yankees a world championship in 2009 — but his arrival in the Bronx in February of 2004 more or less set the organization down a wrong road in which it has yet to reverse course on.

The Yankees were still the marquee team in baseball, if not all of sports, in February of 2004. They had just delivered the most severe non-Buckner blow to the rival Red Sox in the fall prior thanks to Aaron Boone, and it was still a birthright that the team would be representing the American League in the World Series every single fall.

In the 12 years since the A-Rod acquisition though, the previously pathetic Red Sox have won three World Championships and they look like they're heading toward the postseason once again. The Tampa Bay Rays were consistently winning 90-plus games there for a while, too. The Toronto Blue Jays went to the ALCS last season, and the Baltimore Orioles are currently in first place in the division.

The Yankees not only lost their spot as the No. 1 organization in all of baseball, they lost their spot as the No. 1 team in the division along the way as well. Up until last week, you could truly make the case that Boston, Baltimore, Toronto and Tampa Bay all had brighter futures than the Yanks.

The slow deterioration of the Yankees as a franchise is not all A-Rod's fault, for sure. But when fans and hardball historians look back on this time period — A-Rod will be the figurehead of the decline of what once was the most powerful organization in North American sports.

The New York Yankees are supposed to be baseball's bully. They are supposed to be Goliath. They are supposed to be great.

Alex Rodriguez, too, was supposed to be baseball's bully. He was supposed to be Goliath, and he was supposed to be not only great — but the greatest.

His love of off-field drama, his love of performance-enhancing drugs and his love of himself, however, got in the way of him becoming the modern-day Babe Ruth that nearly everyone projected him to be 20 years ago when he was a member of the Seattle Mariners.

Mercifully, A-Rod's sad and odd career is over come this Saturday morning. He'll wind up fourth on baseball's all-time home run leaders list, just behind Ruth, but he'll finish his career easily in first place in baseball's all-time squandered potential category.

A-Rod by the numbers

696 - Career home runs for A-Rod, placing him fourth all-time.
3,114 - A-Rod racked up 3,114 hits in his career, 20th all-time.
2,084 - A-Rod is third all-time in Runs Batted In.
3 - A-Rod won three MVP awards in his career.

A-Rod finds it tough to say goodbye

The New York Yankees will release Alex Rodriguez, one of the greatest players of his generation and one of baseball's most polarizing figures, with his final game with the club set for Friday.

Rodriguez has numbers that rank among the best in history, but has also seen his reputation tarnished by performance-enhancing drugs. He missed the entire 2014 season due to a doping suspension, the second doping offense in his 22-year Major League Baseball career.

The Yankees signed Rodriguez, known as A-Rod, to a 10-year, $275 million contract that runs through 2017. At the time, it was the sport's largest-ever deal. Now 41, he has been mired in one of the worst seasons of his career, hitting just nine home runs with a batting average of .204.

He has 696 home runs in his MLB career, which began with the Seattle Mariners in 1994. He ranks only behind Barry Bonds, Hank Aaron and Babe Ruth on the league's all-time home run list. His 3,114 career hits rank 20th.

"This is a tough day. I love this game and I love this team," an emotional Rodriguez told a Yankee Stadium news conference on Sunday. "Saying goodbye may be the hardest part of the job."

He will be unconditionally released by the club from his player contract in order to sign a contract to serve as a special adviser and instructor with the Yankees through Dec. 31, 2017, the Yankees said in a statement on Sunday.

Neither the team nor Rodriguez disclosed any financial considerations related to the move. His contract for this season and next put the American League's three-times most valuable player and 14-times all-star at $21 million annually.

This season, Rodriguez has largely been relegated to the bench on a Yankees team looking to rebuild with younger players. On Friday, first baseman Mark Teixeira, 36, announced he would retire at the end of the season primarily due to injuries.

When asked by a reporter what made him decide to step down nearly two months before the end of the season, Rodriguez said: "That was the Yankees' decision and I am at peace with it."

"It has been very painful and embarrassing to sit on the bench," he added.

Rodriguez brought a combination of speed, power and defensive mastery to the shortstop position when he broke into baseball with the Mariners, who selected him as the first overall pick of the 1993 draft.

He switched to third base after signing with the Yankees, who already had their now-retired captain Derek Jeter at shortstop. Rodriguez was limited to playing designated hitter during his last two seasons.

He signed what was then the richest contract in baseball when he joined the Texas Rangers in 2001 and was traded to the Yankees, joining the team in 2004 and playing on its 2009 World Series Championship team.

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Alex Rodriguez will play his final game as a Yankee on Friday. GETTY IMAGES

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Upper West Side lawyer arrested in Conn. bank robbery

Ex-Bronx public defender suspected of an earlier attempted holdup near her Manhattan home.

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An Upper West Side lawyer who allegedly tried to rob a bank in Greenwich, Connecticut, was arrested last week, authorities said.

Meighan McSherry, 46, who worked as a public defender in the Bronx, was charged Friday in connection with a holdup at a Wells Fargo bank on Putnam Avenue the previous day, the Greenwich Time reported.

McSherry allegedly gave the teller a note demanding money and stating she had a weapon, Greenwich Police Lt. Kraig Gray said.

The suspect left the scene with an undisclosed amount of money, and an alarm went out just before 3:30 p.m.

"A description of the suspect and her vehicle was broadcast to area officers," Gray told the Time. "Within a few minutes, the suspect's vehicle was observed on East Putnam Avenue near Church Street, a short distance from the bank. Officers stopped the vehicle and detained the female operator. Witnesses to the robbery subsequently positively identified the operator as the suspected bank robber, and she was placed under arrest. Evidence of the crime was found in the suspect's vehicle."

A suspect photographed leaving a Broadway and West 79th Street Chase bank after allegedly trying to rob it. Police now believe this suspect is McSherry. NYPD

Gray added that there were no injuries during the incident.

The Time reported that McSherry was charged with first-degree robbery and second-degree larceny.

McSherry allegedly spent the previous night in Pound Ridge, New York, approximately 20 miles north of the Connecticut bank, but apparently had no memories after that, and no knowledge of how she ended up in Greenwich, her defense attorney, Jennifer DeCastro Tunnard, told the judge.

The New York Daily News spoke to McSherry's neighbors in The Bancroft, a 20-story co-op on West 72nd Street. They said the suspect had fallen on hard times, and twice the co-op had tried to evict her in the last year.

McSherry had worked as a Bronx Legal Aid attorney before taking a leave of absence a year ago, an agency representative told the Daily News.

The suspect is now believed to also be behind an attempted robbery at a Chase bank near her home on Tuesday, a police source said.

As with the Connecticut heist, the suspect, described as a white woman around 45 years old, handed a note to the bank teller demanding money at the bank's Broadway and West 79th Street location.

The teller refused the suspect's demands, prompting the suspect to flee, sources told the Daily News.

Meighan McSherry, 46, from the Upper West Side, was charged Friday for robbing a bank in Connecticut. GREENWICH POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Testing of countdown clocks began on the N, Q and R lines this week. GOV. CUOMO

Countdown clocks come to N, Q, R lines

The MTA says it will eventually install the clocks throughout all 269 lettered-line stations.

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Lettered subway riders dreaming of the day when they too can know when their train is arriving are closer to that dream now that the MTA has started testing countdown clocks on those lines.

The MTA has begun a 90-day test of countdown clocks in eight subway stations along the N, Q and R lines. Testing will be performed at the 23rd Street, 28th Street, 34th Street, 42nd Street, 49th Street, 57th Street, Fifth Avenue/59th Street and Lexington Avenue/59th subway stops, and will include two countdown clocks with enhanced LCD screens, according to the transit agency.

These LCD screens "have the added capability of exhibiting public service announcements and other content — a step forward from the LED digital display screens currently in use," the agency said. The 90-day test of the clocks will help identify and correct any issues with the new system.

The MTA also has awarded three contracts to perform a pilot program on 131 buses for the installation of digital information screens, with the aim of extending them to 3,600 buses.

The routes included are the M15 SBS, B46 SBS and S79 SBS. Each digital screen will offer audio and visual route information and display next stop information, service advisories and travel information, including transfers. They will also open the possibility for new digital advertising revenue for the MTA.

The digital information screens and countdown clocks are part of the $27 billion, five-year MTA Capital Program.

"Gov. Cuomo challenged the MTA to develop an aggressive approach to putting countdown clocks on the lettered lines, and our technology team's response has been phenomenal. In very short order they developed an easy to deploy, cost-effective system that we think will play a central role in bringing this essential service to more and more of our customers. We look forward to learning from this test, as well as to developing a roll out plan based on our findings" MTA Chairman and CEO Thomas F. Prendergast said.

Countdown clocks currently serve 176 stations, including the L line's 24 stations, and will eventually be installed throughout all 269 lettered-line stations.

BRIEFS

MTA's cleaning initiative to include three new vacuum trains

And you thought Roombas were cool.

The MTA announced it was entering a new phase in its plan to "dramatically reduce the amount of trash on subway tracks," also known as Operation Track Sweep, according to a statement from the transit agency.

MTA maintenance crews have already expanded their cleaning efforts from cleaning 34 station tracks every two weeks to 94 tracks every two weeks, and will be starting an intensive, systemwide cleaning of all the system's 469 stations starting Monday, Sept. 12.

But next year, those plans will include two new track vacuum trains that will ride along the rails and collect up to 14 cubic yards of trash each day. A third such train is scheduled to be purchased in 2018.

Workers will also start testing portable track vacuums to help clean subways later this year.

"There's no question that a concerted and sustained effort to limit trash on subway tracks will have a significant impact on the efficiency of subway service — getting rid of trash on the tracks helps us decrease the number of track fires, and that means fewer delays," Chairman and CEO Thomas Prendergast said in a statement. "Just as importantly, this initiative will also have a positive effect on how people feel about their daily commute — when there's less debris, the entire station looks and feels cleaner, and the ride is more enjoyable."

The cleanup work on underground stations is be done at night, when ridership is lowest, the agency said.

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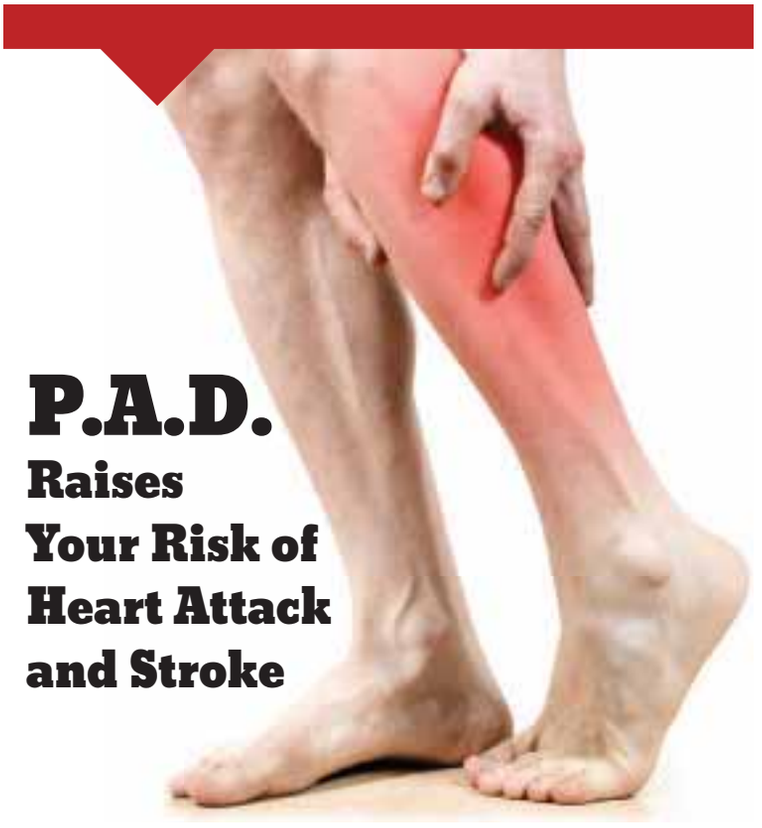

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BRIEF

Family identified in Pennsylvania murder-suicide that left five dead

The five people who died in a murder suicide in Pennsylvania over the weekend were identified as two parents and their three children, all of whom were shot to death, a local district attorney said on Sunday.

The parents in the incident that took place in Sinking Spring, some 60 miles east of the state capital Harrisburg, were identified as Mark and Megan Short. The three children were not named, the Berks County District Attorney's office said in an official Facebook post. (The district attorney said there was a note left at the scene but did not elaborate on its contents. Media reports said the family was having financial trouble because it needed to purchase costly medication for a baby who had to have a heart transplant.

"This is an apparent tragic domestic incident," the district attorney's office said, adding there had been domestic issues between the husband and wife.

It added a handgun was found at the scene near one of the adults and that the family's dog was also shot to death.

The Reading Eagle, a local newspaper, said this weekend it published a story about the family in 2014 after its newest member, a then 5-month-old girl named Willow, had received a heart transplant.

It also said the family was featured in a 2015 New York Times article discussing the difficulties it was facing in obtaining and using the medication Willow needed to keep her from rejecting her transplanted heart.

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One UN peacekeeper killed, four wounded in north Mali mine attack

The attack on the vehicle, which was escorting a logistical convoy, occurred about 7 miles south of Aguelhoc in the region of Kidal, where several Islamist militant groups are active, the mission said in a statement.

A United Nations peacekeeper was killed and four others wounded on Sunday when their vehicle hit a mine in Mali's restive north, the U.N. mission (MINUSMA) said.

The attack on the vehicle, which was escorting a logistical convoy, occurred about 7 miles south of Aguelhoc in the region of Kidal, where several Islamist militant groups are active, the mission said in a statement.

About two hours later, another mine exploded near a U.N. peacekeeping vehicle a little more than a mile east of the mission base in Kidal but only caused material damage, the MINUSMA statement added.

Mali's government has not had a military presence in Kidal since clashes between the army and Tuareg rebels killed 50 soldiers there in 2014, leaving a heavy security burden on U.N. troops.

Mali has become the deadliest place to serve for U.N. peacekeepers. The United Nations says more than 100 peacekeepers have been killed since MINUSMA deployed in July 2013. The U.N. Security Council voted in June to increase the contingent by 2,500 troops, taking the total number of uniformed personnel to more than 15,000.

All five peacekeepers were from Chad, a mission spokesman said.
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In May, five Chadian peacekeepers were killed in an ambush near Kidal. Al Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) also claimed responsibility for an attack that month that killed a Chinese peacekeeper and three civilians.

Islamist militant groups, some with links to al Qaeda, hijacked a Tuareg uprising in 2012 and seized northern Mali until a French-led intervention drove them back a year later.

But the region has remained plagued by violence despite a peace accord signed last year between Tuareg fighters and the government. Two days of fighting last month between Tuareg rebels and pro-government militia killed up to 20 people last month.

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Passenger dies aboard Delta flight to PHL

A Delta Airlines passenger traveling from Paris to Philadelphia died mid-flight Saturday, officials announced.

The passenger was declared dead upon the flight's arrival around 4 p.m. Saturday, said Mary Flannery, spokesperson for the Philadelphia International Airport. Delta Flight 79 originated in Paris' Charles de Gaulle Airport.

"This isn't the first time, but it isn't common at all," Flannery told the Philadelphia Inquirer of a passenger arriving to PHL unresponsive.

Tinicum Township police and the Delaware County Medical Examiner responded to the scene. Officials have said they don't believe the death was suspicious, NBC10 reported.

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Trump backers downplay rough week after poll shows him lagging Clinton

A Washington Post-ABC News poll released Sunday found Clinton leading among registered voters with 50 percent of support in the week after the Democratic Party convention where she was formally named the presidential nominee, compared to 42 percent for Trump.

Republican Donald Trump's top aides and supporters on Sunday downplayed a chaotic week in which the New York businessman was distracted from his core message by personal spats, as a new poll showed him trailing Democrat Hillary Clinton.

"Everyone should calm down about it," Trump adviser Rudy Giuliani, the former New York mayor, told ABC News on Sunday. "There is certainly every opportunity for Trump to win this election."

A Reuters/Ipsos poll released on Friday showed the race closer, with Clinton leading by 3 percentage points. The poll had a credibility interval of plus or minus 3 percentage points, meaning the results showed the race roughly even.

Trump backers said voters were just starting to tune into the race for the Nov. 8 election. They said Trump was back on message after a week of disputes with members of his own party and the parents of a Muslim American soldier killed in Iraq.

Donald Trump GETTY IMAGES

Those assurances came despite Trump's tendency throughout his campaign to battle his own party and make controversial remarks.

"He is very focused. He knows what he needs to do. I am confident that he's going to start doing it," Paul Manafort, Trump's campaign manager, told Fox News, denying reports that there had been an "emergency meeting" to get Trump on message.

Leaders in Trump's own party distanced themselves from his spat with Khizr and Ghazala Khan, the Gold Star parents who criticized Trump at the Democratic National Convention.

And Republicans were incensed when he initially refused to endorse House of Representatives Speaker Paul Ryan and two senators in their re-election bids. He later said he supported all three.

Former House of Representatives Speaker Newt Gingrich, a Trump backer, told Fox News the New York businessman had made mistakes, but he said Clinton had the greater error in flubbing explanations of her use of a private server while she was secretary of state from 2009-2013.

Clinton said on Friday she "short-circuited" a week earlier when she said FBI Director James Comey had said she was truthful to the American people about her email server. Comey actually contradicted many statements Clinton had made about the server.

"I'll take the week. I think she managed to trump Trump in terms of mistakes," Gingrich said.

Sen. Tim Kaine, Clinton's vice presidential running mate, defended her email answers on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"The bottom line is this: She made a mistake, and she said over and over again 'I made a mistake, and I've learned from it, and I'm going to fix it, and I apologize for it,'" Kaine said. REUTERS

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Official: Chicago police may have violated policy in fatal shooting

Chicago Police Superintendent Eddie Johnson said on Saturday that videos of the police shooting of a black man in the city last month indicate three officers may have violated the department's policies.

Johnson told a news conference it was against departmental policy to fire at or into a moving car when the vehicle was the only potential use of force by a suspect, and police were taking a hard look at training and tactics following the shooting.

Authorities on Friday released videos that captured the moments before and after police shot Paul O'Neal, 18, on July 28, but not the shooting itself because a police officer's body camera was not recording. No firearms were found on O'Neal, who was shot in the back, according to police.

Police place handcuffs on Paul O'Neal, 18, after he was shot in this still image from video taken from a body camera released by Chicago police July 28, 2016.
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Johnson was named in March to lead the department, which is facing accusations of racism and a federal investigation into its practices after the city waited more than a year to release video of a separate 2014 fatal shooting by officers.

On Saturday, he said the ongoing investigation prevented him from discussing details about the O'Neal shooting.

"I was concerned by some of the things that I saw on the videos and that is why we took such a swift action that we did last week to relieve the three officers of their police powers," Johnson said.

The video footage released on Friday shows two officers firing at a stolen car driven by O'Neal after it sped past them, the car crashing into a police car and O'Neal running into a backyard where he was shot. It does not show the shooting.

Johnson said the lack of a body-camera video of the O'Neal shooting is under investigation, though he noted that the officers in that police district had the cameras for only about a week before the shooting.

Civil rights activist the Rev. Jesse Jackson said the lack of a complete video accounting of O'Neal's shooting showed a cover-up and a lawyer for O'Neal's family called for a special prosecutor to investigate the killing.

The union representing Chicago police officers urged the public not to rush to judgment. REUTERS

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Opinion

CNN's Tom Foreman is the author of the book "My Year of Running Dangerously."

The torch is aflame, Zika fears are rampant and the Olympics are underway. Personally, I'm hoping the games will distract me from all the rough and tumble here in D.C. for a while, but I'm not counting on it. Here are three things to watch in politics this week.

1. HAMMER THROW
A little coaching advice for Hillary Clinton: Grab your email controversy, spin around and throw it as far away as possible. And *never* mention it again. The Democratic nominee seems hell bent on proving she did nothing wrong with her email practices, despite an FBI investigation which found precisely the opposite. Clinton's repeated false statements about the matter are only reinforcing her worst problem: Most voters don't trust her. Let's see if she figures that out and does what she should have done from the start — take the blame, fully accept the findings and quit talking about it.

2. WEIGHT LIFTING
Last week was horrible for Republican nominee Donald Trump. Clinton came out of her convention with a big bounce in the polls, and a series of missteps sent his support plummeting. Now he has to haul those numbers back into close contention. And as much as it may pain Trump, that means he'll have to get cozier with mainstream GOPers and quit raising claims he can't back when challenged. In other words, he has to show more discipline while not losing the anti-establishment, "I say what I think" vibe that has made him into a political phenomenon.

3. TEAM SLOVENIA
Is Melania Trump's immigration record a problem for her husband? That's not clear yet. But Democrats are crowing over discrepancies in her "coming to America" story which suggest a possible violation of immigration laws. Watch for Dems to pound the issue, if only to distract Trump. Meanwhile, it all revolves (no kidding) around some nude photos on the internet of the wannabe first lady which ... um ... wait, what was I saying?

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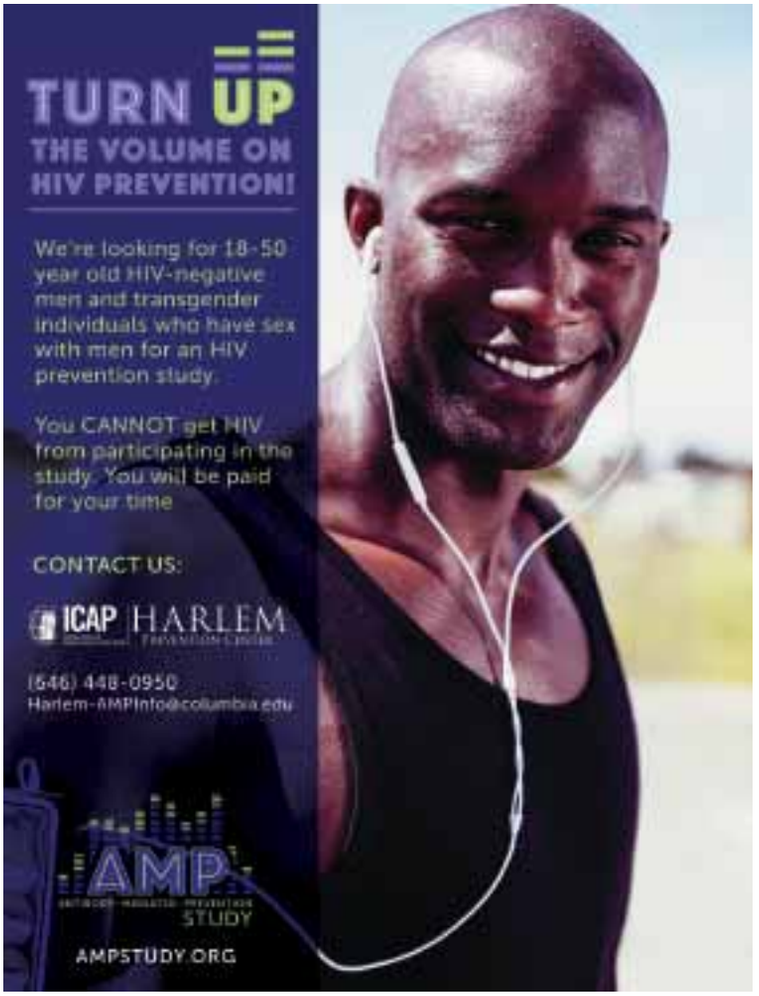
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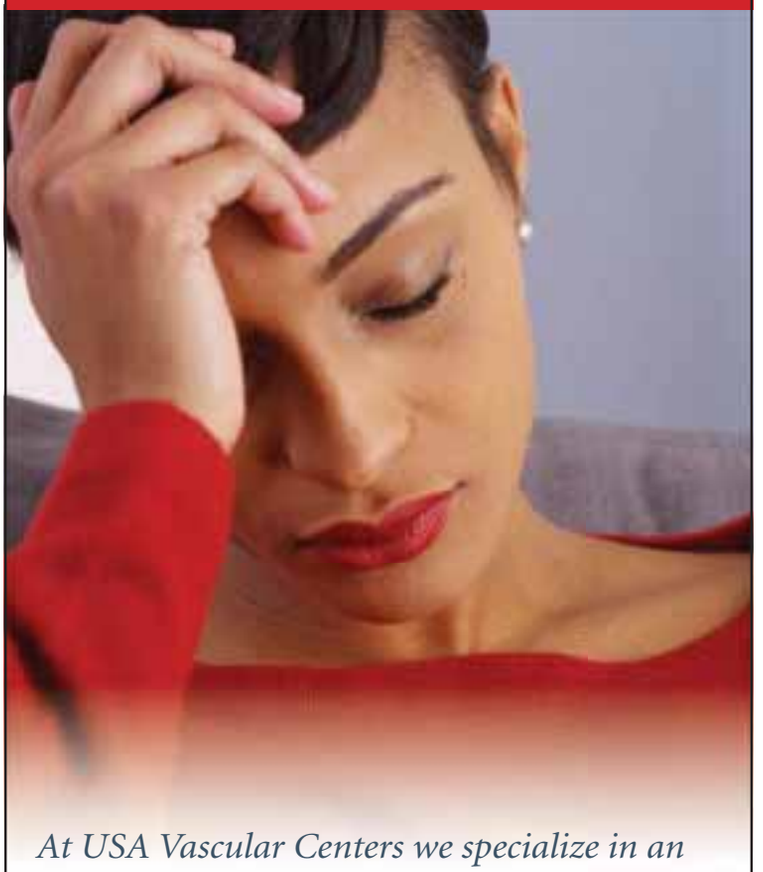

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"If e el like a new woman"

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It got to the point where I couldn't stand up for a period of time and I knew something had to be done about it. You walk into the doctors office - he puts your leg in a machine - he shows you where he is going to do the procedure and before you know it... it's done and you're outta there. Now I'm able to take out my bicycle a couple of the guys and myself we took a couple of rides out in the woods and we had a good time and ***I couldn't do that for years and now I'm able to do it again.***

The pain was excruciating like 24/7. Nothing I took over-the-counter would work so I knew it was something more serious. When I saw that my condition was not getting any better, I decided to do something about it and I immediately made an appointment - I went and started treatment. **The feeling of getting back to my dancing and my mobility is indescribable. I feel like a new woman - It's amazing.**

"I am ecstatic with the results of this procedure"

One day, as I was running, my knee got tighter and tighter. I had to stop and just walk home. They x-rayed me and said I was a candidate for it. You sit there for about 2-3 minutes and then you are up and walking out the door. I am ecstatic with the results of this procedure because I could not run just weeks before. I ran my race without any issues. I felt good - it just opened a door that was closing.

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THOUSANDS of knee arthritis sufferers flock for this advanced medical treatment - How they relieved pain while so many continue to suffer

Knee Arthritis Pain: The Untold Story

Why patients come from all over the Tri-State area for this knee arthritis pain treatment and why waiting can decrease your chance to live a pain free. life again

By Matt Edgar - America's Health Writer

NY Pain MD, a center for Non-Surgical Medical Relief For Spine And Joint Pain Relief, **is a medical clinic with multiple locations in New York City that has treated thousands of knee arthritis patients. Here is what every knee arthritis sufferer should know about the best treatments and options available today. And why waiting can drastically decrease your chances to live a pain free life again.**

The information you are about to read can possibly save you from years and years of agonizing knee pain. It might even keep you from getting total knee replacement surgery. *Please pay careful attention.*

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You see, many knee arthritis sufferers had already tried what seemed to be similar treatments to what we are going to talk about and *did not get the results they wanted.* But I assure you there is something VERY DIFFERENT about the technology and the way we do this treatment that can possibly make it much more effective for many … and it often gets results when many others have failed.

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"I cannot ask for better results"

Dr. Stanley Weiner, M.D. - Surgeon

I had (replacement) surgery scheduled last year. Three months before I made an appointment .... I was amazed at the ease with which I was evaluated and the treatment schedule implemented. **The results I had at *NY Pain MD* were outstanding. I cannot ask for better results.** After the treatment I was able to go back to work with no discomfort at all. They use a digital monitor to locate the space that they use the treatment for and it's .. it's like exact science. ***Dr. Stanley Weiner MD***

"Hey this feels terrific"

I was diagnosed bone on bone about 2 years ago I went to see an Orthopedic Surgeon and he said my knees were shot and I need to get them replaced. The NY Pain guys said after looking at x-rays they could help. **That procedure is so basic so simple so quick in 15 minutes you are in and out.** When I got up out of the chair I stood up and I said, ***"Hey this feels terrific."***

"I don't have any pain any more"

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Thaw could release Cold War-era US toxic waste buried under Greenland's ice

Camp Century was built in northwest Greenland in 1959 as part of U.S. research into the feasibility of nuclear missile launch sites in the Arctic, the University of Zurich said in a statement.

As Greenland's ice continues to melt, toxic waste left behind by the U.S. may be exposed. GETTY IMAGES

Global warming could release radioactive waste stored in an abandoned Cold War-era U.S. military camp deep under Greenland's ice caps if a thaw continues to spread in coming decades, scientists said.

Camp Century was built in northwest Greenland in 1959 as part of U.S. research into the feasibility of nuclear missile launch sites in the Arctic, the University of Zurich said in a statement.

Staff left gallons of fuel and an unknown amount of low-level radioactive coolant there when the base shut down in 1967 on the assumption it would be entombed forever, according to the university.

It is all currently about 35 meters (114.83 feet) down. But the part of the ice sheet covering the camp could start to melt by the end of the century on current trends, the scientists added.

"Climate change could remobilize the abandoned hazardous waste believed to be buried forever beneath the Greenland ice sheet," the university said of findings published this week in the journal Geophysical Research Letters.

The study, led by York University in Canada in collaboration with the University of Zurich, estimated that pollutants in the camp included 200,000 liters of diesel fuel and the coolant from a nuclear generator used to produce power.

"It's a new breed of political challenge we have to think about," lead author William Colgan, a climate and glacier scientist at York University, said in a statement.

"If the ice melts, the camp's infrastructure, including any remaining biological, chemical and radioactive wastes, could re-enter the environment and potentially disrupt nearby ecosystems," the University of Zurich said.

The study said it would be extremely costly to try to remove any waste now. It recommended waiting "until the ice sheet has melted down to almost expose the wastes before beginning site remediation."

There was no immediate comment from U.S. authorities. REUTERS

Strong winds play havoc with Rio Games

Strong winds wreaked havoc at the Rio Olympics on Sunday, forcing the cancellation of the rowing competition and delays to tennis and kayaking, while spectators ran for cover from flying debris on the second full day of competition.

Powerful gusts swept across the Brazilian city, ripping a large banner off the aquatics center, triggering the closure of souvenir shops in the Olympic park and forcing organizers to reschedule events.

Rowers were told to stay off the water at the Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon a day after difficult conditions on the opening program on Saturday led to complaints from rowers that races should have been postponed after one boat capsized.

Tennis games were delayed on all courts apart from the center court stadium, with far lighter wind having already frustrated players on Saturday. Kayaking was also delayed.

"That was first time of my life that I played in such terrible conditions," said Thomaz Bellucci, the top-ranked Brazilian who opened on center court.

"The wind was so fast and the match become so ugly. You just couldn't take any risks." REUTERS

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Is Ben Affleck back to being a hot mess?

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To the untrained eye, it appears Ben Affleck was channeling his inner Britney 2007 over the weekend. But not so fast, says a friend. Despite leaving a "Suicide Squad" premiere with his zipper down and shirt tucked into his belt, we're to believe that Affleck — who remains estranged from wife Jennifer Garner because the world is a vampire and everything you know about love is a lie — has things under control. "That picture is outside another small after-after-party," the source tells Page Six. "It was very late at night. He's not off the rails. It looked a lot worse than it was." We're rooting for you, Ben — but if you shave your head, we're calling your mom. MONICA WEYMOUTH

Lindsay Lohan speaks out about Egor Tarabasov

After weeks of social media drama, Lindsay Lohan, patron saint of The Word, is officially speaking out about her troubled relationship with fiance Egor Tarabasov. In an interview with the Daily Mail, Lohan claims that the 23-year-old Russian billionaire is abusive, and that recent footage of what appears to be a physical altercation between the two is not an isolated incident. "I wanted to do this interview because it's time to tell the truth," she says. "I've kept quiet for so long but now I'm scared of what Egor might do to me and to himself." For the moment, she's thankfully safe with friends and taking it easy: "I've been meditating and swimming in the ocean and listening to George Michael's song, 'Faith.' The lyrics are very apt.'" Amen, Linds. Amen.

Tyga gives Kylie one fancy birthday present

What do you get the birthday girl who, quite literally, has it all? A Mercedes-Maybach. As documented on Snapchat, Tyga surprised newly-minted 19-year-old Kylie Jenner with the luxe wheels over the weekend, a fitting follow-up to last year's Ferrari that's speculated to cost upwards of $200,000. This concludes your weekly Kardashian trolling — forgive us. MONICA WEYMOUTH

Frank Ocean ruins weekends

Despite rumors substantiated by no less than the New York Times, the R&B impresario did not release his follow up to 2012's "Channel Orange" on Friday as most thought. This sent millions of fans to a weekend spent feverishly refreshing his website (and Twitter) in hopes of further details regarding his new album, reportedly titled, "Boys Don't Cry."

Ocean recently rebranded his personal website to align with the new album, and last Monday the site began running a video stream that featured the singer mysteriously at work on a construction project.

The site also features an image of a good old-fashioned library card, marked up with a series of dates when the singer's next body of work might have debuted. Light mood music occasionally played over the industrial sounds, and drama built all week, but when the clock struck midnight on Aug. 5, there was no new Frank Ocean music — only an onslaught of disappointed online memes. BRENDAN MCGUIRK

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Viola Davis loves playing a badass

The award-winning actress gets to play arguably the scariest person in "Suicide Squad."

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Viola Davis plays Amanda Fuller, the ruthless government official who forces a group of villains to save the world, in "Suicide Squad." WARNER BROS. PICTURES

There are many horror stories from the set of "Suicide Squad." For his comic book movie about a team of villains rounded up to save the world, filmmaker David Ayer ("End of Watch," "Fury") encouraged his actors to get really, really, really into character. Some took it too far: Jared Leto got so into playing the Joker that he mailed fellow cast members condoms. There was only one crazy thing Viola Davis had to do. As Amanda Waller, the manipulative government official who created the squad, she was asked to keep calling her fellow actor Joel Kinnaman, who plays a solder, a "p—ssy."

And yet Davis, 50, couldn't have had a better time. Still reeling from reuniting with the close-knit cast for the "Suicide Squad" junket, the two-time Oscar-nominee and Emmy-winner gushes about a very unique experience.

Apart from calling Kinnaman a "p—ssy," were there other things Ayer would do to get you in character?

Besides calling him a "bitch" and a "p—ssy" [laughs], that was pretty much the height of it. But what [Ayer] constantly encouraged me to do was tap into my power and not shy away from it at all. Whenever I did something, he would say, "Nuh-uh. Louder! Harder!" It was very liberating for me. It was a great exercise in terms of tapping into my power and understanding how much further I need to go in my life.

Have you ever experienced something like this kind of production? Doing a play might be somewhat similar to this.

No. It just became a different sort of camaraderie. We had a rehearsal period of four weeks where they encouraged everyone to just go for it, to share their intimate secrets. The members of the "Suicide Squad" had sparring watches and spent a lot of time training together. We just got to know each other and it created this atmosphere of safety and togetherness. By the time we started shooting we really felt like a team.

Amanda Waller can sometimes be the movie's most villainous character. But the film doesn't judge her. She's someone who thinks the ends justify the means.

Look who she had to lead! Look who she had to control! Harley Quinn, Killer Croc, who's a cannibal — you would have to be pretty badass to control them. You have to be just as ruthless as they are.

She sounds like she was fun to play.

I had a blast. I really did. I'm serious.

Even though this is a comic book movie, it does have something to say about how we treat people who are different than us.

I always go, the line I have in the movie where I talk about Killer Croc: "He grew up looking like a monster and pretty soon, people treated him like a monster. After awhile, he believed he was a monster." That's what we do to outsiders, with people we label as "those people." They begin to act like outsiders. They begin to feel like outsiders.

Given how intense the production was, was it hard to shake off?

I'm one of those actors who never has a hard time shaking off roles. But I did see this rearing its ugly head in little parts of my life. I'd have a little bit more bite to me than usual. I'd shut down a little too much, to the point where it kind of scared me. Listen, I need some laughs in my life. I have a 6-year-old. I don't think she wants to play dress-up as Amanda Waller. [Laughs]

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The Go-Go's want to know: 'Where the f—k' are the new Go-Go's?

As they approach their final tour (ever), drummer Gina Schock reflects on their 40-year career.

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The Go-Go's CARL TIMPONE

After 38 years in the music industry, The Go-Go's are saying goodbye. Well, *just* to touring.

This summer, the band that wowed the 1980s with such hits as "We Got the Beat" and "Our Lips Are Sealed" is on its farewell tour. But we haven't heard the last of the Go-Go's, a Gwyneth Paltrow-produced musical, "Head Over Heels," which marries a 15th century story with the Go-Go's songs, is due to open on Broadway next year.

We spoke with drummer Gina Schock just before the first date of this final tour.

Does this tour feel any different from the lead up to any other tour?
I'm like a f—king madwoman. It's crunch time; the pressure is on. It's cool; it's part of the job. We can do this.

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Is this the end of the Go-Go's?
The musical should open next year. It's mind-blowing and gorgeous. We'll work together as projects come up. But this tour is the final tour.

Was putting together the last setlist tough?
We're doing a longer set than usual. We will be playing new songs — we will be playing our version of "Wrecking Ball." The arrangement is fantastic. We'll be doing some songs we haven't played since we wrote them in 1979.

After 40 years, you're still called an all-girl rock group, not just a rock group. Does this show how little things have changed for women in the music business?
That doesn't bother us at all. The music business has gotten better for women. But we often talk about this and say, where are the new Go-Go's? Why hasn't that happened yet? That we are still the most successful all-girl group is what makes us wonder. Where the f—k are they?

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We've finally hit August, when the dog days of summer are usually most fierce. Which means breathing stale air on boiling subway station platforms before packing ourselves like sardines into trains with other sweaty, cranky people.

All of this is the annoying reality of city living, but there are serious health consequences linked to extreme heat. We reached out to Dr. Peter Shearer, medical director of Mount Sinai Hospital's emergency department, to find out how to spot the signs of heat exhaustion and heatstroke, and what to do if it happens to you.

What's the difference between heat exhaustion and heat stroke?
In both, your body has excessive heat either from the environment (hot, humid day, sun exposure, etc.) or generated from something like exercise. In heat stroke you have lost your body's ability to regulate temperature mostly through sweating and evaporation and developed mental status changes.

Who is most at risk?
People at the extremes of age (younger than 1 year and elderly) and those with multiple medical problems. People need to be able to move to a place where they can keep cool. Babies and those who are frail, elderly or with mobility issues may not be able to do this.

What steps can you take to reduce your chances of getting either of these?
Stay hydrated. Remove yourself from situations that lead to it — stay in the shade, stay in areas with good air circulation (convection, which can help dispel heat); stay in a cool environment.

What about pets such as dogs or cats? Which signs should you watch for in extreme heat?
Pets may exhibit the same symptoms as people, but with drooling in place of sweating. Keep an eye on their urine output during hot weather, especially when outside. Excessive lethargy would be a key symptom of heat stroke in a pet. SHEILA DOUGHERTY

"Secret Eats with Adam Richman" premieres tonight at 8 p.m. on The Travel Channel. PROVIDED

Superstar foodie Adam Richman wants to dine with Lin-Manuel Miranda

Don't we all?

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Adam Richman quite possibly has the coolest job ever: exploring this great big planet one bite at a time. Known for food-focused shows like "Man v. Food," Richman has a new series premiering on the Travel Channel tonight.

On "Secret Eats with Adam Richman," he searches for underground culinary gems from Rome to Bangkok to Mexico City. Richman tells us what it's like to eat ant larvae and why he wants to grab dinner with "Hamilton" creator Lin-Manuel Miranda.

I read that you got your start in acting. What led to your passion for food?
I have been working in the food industry since I was about 13 years old, so it was always there. I got my graduate degree from Yale in acting. My undergrad was pretty different, as well. I had an international studies and French background so I always kept pretty varied interests. I had found out about the opportunity for "Man v. Food" through the agents I signed on with out of Yale. I wouldn't have found out about the opportunity if it wasn't for them.

You're also a trained sushi chef.
My dad and I were going to get certification together, but my dad unfortunately passed away before we got to. So as a gift for getting into Yale, my stepmom paid for me to get my training.

Well, I'm sure he'd be proud of everything you've accomplished. With the new show, what's the craziest thing you ate?
Oh my gosh. I don't want to give too much away, but one thing I definitely mentioned on Instagram was escamoles, which is ant larvae. [I had it] just outside Mexico City and people love them and go crazy for them, but it didn't sit so well.

Oh no! So you weren't a fan?
Flavorwise, it doesn't really get you. It was the same day I had grasshoppers. So I think it probably was the combination of the two.

So while filming this new show, was there a particularly memorable moment for you?
I don't know where to start. We just shot a special in Greenland and Iceland. I try to do something for my crew every trip. In Greenland I treated everyone to a cruise. We went among the glaciers and we actually saw a glacier calving — a huge chunk of ice fall into the sea. There's something so humbling about being around nature that's so massive and impressive that you won't see anywhere else in the world.

If you could share a meal with anyone, who would it be and why?
Lin-Manuel Miranda — the guy who created "Hamilton." He is a profoundly well-read, literate individual. I admire him using his fame to lobby for the Puerto Rican debt crisis. You have to understand, for a guy who literally wrote two plays and is making a legacy out of the second one — literally a million dollars a week — is absolutely mental and that it's theater. Theater stars have become stars again, which is so cool.

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'March' is in step with the times

A graphic novel chronicles Rep. John Lewis' long fight for civil rights — and it made him hit at Comic-Con.

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Whoever said history is dead hasn't read Georgia Congressman John Lewis' graphic novel trilogy "March."

You might recall that Lewis made headlines in June for leading a sit-in on the floor of the House of Representatives to demand action on gun-control measures. The event Periscoped around the world was just the latest battle in Lewis' nonviolent resistance and decades-long participation in the civil-rights movement — a history chronicled in the poignantly told and beautifully illustrated "March."

Written by Congressman Lewis and his aide Andrew Aydin and illustrated by Nate Powell, this graphic novel trilogy traces Lewis' path from his youth in rural Alabama to his rise to Congress. The story depicts how his career intersects with pivotal moments in the civil-rights movement, from the story's opening at the Selma-to-Montgomery March in 1965 to Lewis' first meeting with Martin Luther King Jr.

The trilogy flashes between Lewis' memories and Obama's 2009 inauguration, where Lewis sat in the audience, reflecting on the events that brought him to that day.

The recently released "March: Book Three" (Top Shelf Comix) focuses on Lewis' activism during the Mississippi Freedom Summer in 1964 and the Selma campaign of 1965.

Today, the trilogy's educational value is recognized by New York public schools and districts throughout the nation, where it supplements traditional history texts in some secondary social studies classrooms.

"I have never had to ask students to put books down before, until "March."…They could see themselves in another time, another place. They connected to their learning in a deeper way than they had before," says Judith Marks, an educator at Olney Charter High School in Philadelphia.

Educators say the text has prompted frank discussions about race; looking at the way characters responded to racist comments, practices and restrictions helps students reflect upon their own experiences with racism and prejudice.

The trilogy has also made Lewis an unexpected Comic-Con hit. "March" was voted Best Reality-Based Work in 2016 at the Will Eisner Comic Industry Awards.

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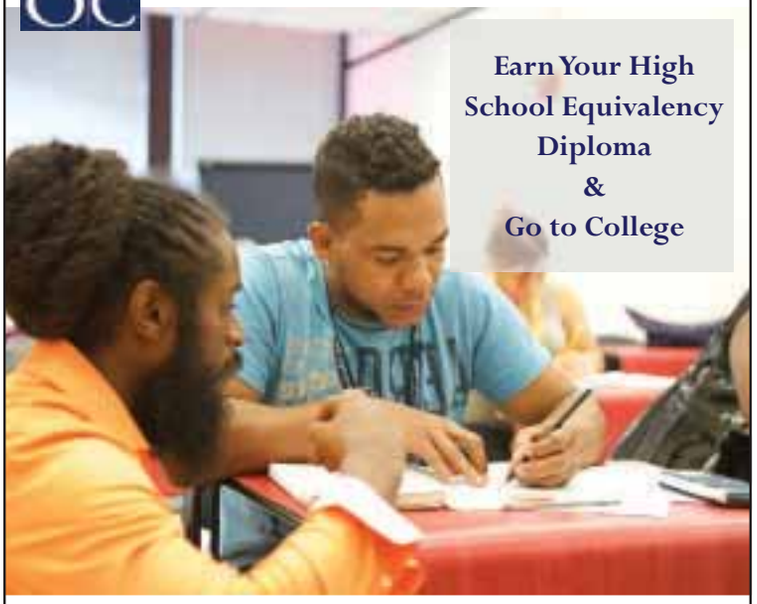

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Love health and wellness but hate the sight of blood? Though we often think of doctors and nurses when it comes to health care, there are many desk jobs that require an interest in health and medicine but not an M.D.

In fact, one up-and-coming area in the health care industry involves a keen understanding of data, coding and medical records, in addition to strong people skills.

Deborah Sek, division director at professional staffing agency Ajilon, says both temporary and permanent positions are growing — fast.

"With health care, with it continuing to evolve and adapt to technology, and with what people need out there, it's now a combination of the warm and fuzzy side of health care coupled with the technology backup piece," Sek says.

Any sort of health care bachelor's degree is a plus, and for some positions, clinical experience and clinical certification — for instance, care managers need to be registered nurses — are crucial when recruiters are looking to hire.

Here are three areas that are staffing up, Sek says.

Care coordinator/ care manager

Usually RNs, care coordinators use their nursing training to be able to manage patients' transitions through their entire care curriculum, says Sek. Coordinators are the people a patient can rely on, and each has a specific discipline, whether it be oncology, or gerontology.

Data compliance

This is a tech-intensive and crucial position. It involves "analyzing and reviewing documentation and records to ensure compliance with HIPAA [Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act] laws." This position suits those with a meticulous attention to detail.

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The job search gets real

The author of "The Art of Authenticity" shares her tips for finding a job that's right for you.

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It's easy to get caught up in the stress of finding a job, but workplace psychologist Karissa Thacker says not to worry.

For Thacker, the founder and president of Strategic Performance Solutions, a management training and consulting firm that works with Fortune 500 companies to teach people about authentic leadership, success is just a matter of being yourself.

To get Thacker's expertise, you don't need to make an appointment — just check out her book, "The Art of Authenticity: Tools to Become an Authentic Leader and Your Best Self."

Thacker offered a few tips for recent graduates seeking that elusive first job — and a perfect fit.

Karissa Thacker PROVIDED

Get to know yourself

The root of the word "authentic" means "author" in Greek. Being authentic, suggests Thacker, means being the author of your own story — but before you can know your story, you have to know yourself.

"When I have conversations with college students who seem to like the book and really resonate with it, I always say, 'You haven't totally discovered who you are yet,'" Thacker said.

Before you can decide if a company is a good fit for you, you should have an idea of your strengths, weaknesses and preferences. Need a little help finding clarity? Thacker includes a character test in her book that helps illuminate your strongest and weakest personality traits.

Feel it out

Finding a job that brings out your most authentic self can be achieved only if you find a company that plays to your character strengths.

Start by taking what you know about your personality and asking yourself these three questions during or after the interview: Do you connect with the people? Do you feel energized and excited about working for the company? What does the atmosphere feel like?

"So let's say, for example, you have a character strength in fairness, and when you're interviewing with companies you think, 'Well, do they talk about fairness, do they think about fairness, what kinds of stories did they tell?'" Thacker said.

Being authentic can help you land the job that's best for you. ISTOCK

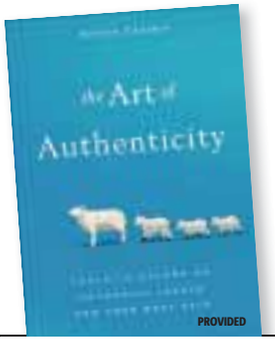
Being authentic is also about being genuine.

"The thing that will define your early career is your ability to learn fast," said Thacker. "If you're not energized or interested in what's going on there, you're not going to learn from it."

Give it a year

Thacker is aware of concerns about finding a good job after graduating. So if you're not that excited about an opportunity, but for now it's your best option, she suggests giving it at least a year.

"This idea that we already know who we are and it's fixed and rigid — be careful there. You can join a company and grow into it and realize you liked things you never knew you liked."



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Move on

Take note: It's just as important to move on from a job after a year as it is to give it a chance. If an opportunity comes along that's a better fit, take it.

And don't worry too much about how job-hopping will look to future employers. A study by the professional networking site LinkedIn revealed that millennials change jobs an average of four times before they're 32.

Network, network, network

Thacker insists that networking is about more than just collecting business cards. For example, she likes to use the birthday card function on LinkedIn to send personalized messages.

"You can think about networking as, 'I'm going to add 20 business cards to my collection,' or you can think about networking as, 'These are people that I've worked with, and like, and actually have developed a rapport with, so I'm going to keep my relationships active with them,'" she said.

At the end of the day, networking is easier when you "stay true to you and are consistent with your style."

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Jets positional preview: Who will wind up being Revis' wing man at corner?

Who will line up opposite Darrelle Revis?

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Buster Skrine takes down New England's Danny Amendola last season. GETTY IMAGES

The Jets have a great problem on their hands, as their win-now mentality is due to a loaded roster with very few flaws. It's no secret that Gang Green has high aspirations this season, thanks to last year's surprising 10-6 mark behind a journeyman quarterback. And with Ryan Fitzpatrick back in the fold, a revamped rushing attack and a frisky defense, the Jets have engaged in some spirited training camp practices in hopes of further solidifying their mettle in anticipation of a successful campaign.

Having a lot of talent is clearly not a bad thing — especially in a retooled AFC East that may feel up for grabs for the first time in over a decade, thanks to the Tom Brady Deflategate fiasco. That talent has fiercely gone head-to-head since camp opened last week. And while there won't be too many open spots, there's still competition abound for some key positions.

Metro will analyze one particular camp battle a week, and today's spotlight focuses on the secondary — mainly, who will be the new neighbor on Revis Island?

Cornerbacks: Future Hall of Famer Darrelle Revis will undoubtedly take care of his side of the field, but the other side will be up for grabs. Revis's partner in crime from a season ago, Antonio Cromartie, was allowed to walk via free agency, which means the Jets will be looking inwards to find his replacement. The "next man up" mantra calls for Buster Skrine to fill that void, as he is coming off a season where he was the primary nickel back during his maiden campaign in New York. The former Cleveland Brown led all Jets defensive backs with 65 tackles, and showed his unselfishness by being relegated to backup corner, after a stint in Cleveland where he was the No. 2, alongside Pro Bowler Joe Haden. The Tennessee-Chattanooga product is itching for the chance to be a starter again, and will likely get the first crack. But at only 5-foot-9, does he have the necessary size to contend and be a regular starter again?

Skrine's stiffest competition comes from Dee Milliner, who has yet to live up to his billing of being the ninth pick in the 2013 draft. The former Alabama product has the prerequisite size (6 foot, 200 pounds), but undergone a hellish career to date — which has led the Jets to decline to pick up the fifth year on his rookie contract, making him a free agent next season. He showed flashes in his rookie campaign, including three interceptions, but since, he's had a penchant for needing medical assistance more times than he, the Jets and Gang Green Nation care to see. Milliner has noted that he's turned to yoga in hopes of improving health and flexibility, and says he feels great. Green and white fans are undoubtedly hoping for him to finally hit his stride — and stay on the field.

Marcus Williams could throw a wrench in both Skrine's and Milliner's plans, however, as he was statistically the most accomplished Jets defensive back, last season. The third-year cornerback out of North Dakota State led the team with six interceptions and has totaled 17 passes defended in his first two seasons. His three game-sealing picks last season also showed he has that clutch gene and won't panic in big moments. Whichever cornerback steps up and lines opposite of Revis, a spirited camp battle will only further steel the resolve of the winner, because opposing quarterbacks will most certainly throw their way far more often than that of the presumptive Hall of Famer.

Gang Green notes:

Other cornerback competitors include Dexter McDougle and rookie Juston Burris, out of North Carolina State. Both are considered long shots.

Jets quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick finally sheared his legendary locks.

USA women's hoops win sets record

New York's Sue Bird and the U.S. women's basketball team set three Olympic marks in a 121-56 slamming of Senegal Sunday in Rio. The U.S. women now own the record for most points scored in a game, margin of victory and assists. GETTY IMAGES

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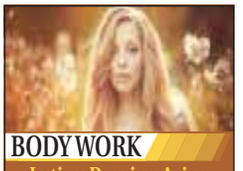
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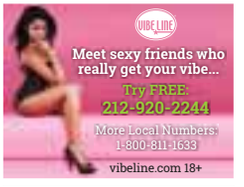

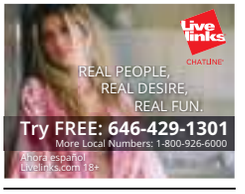

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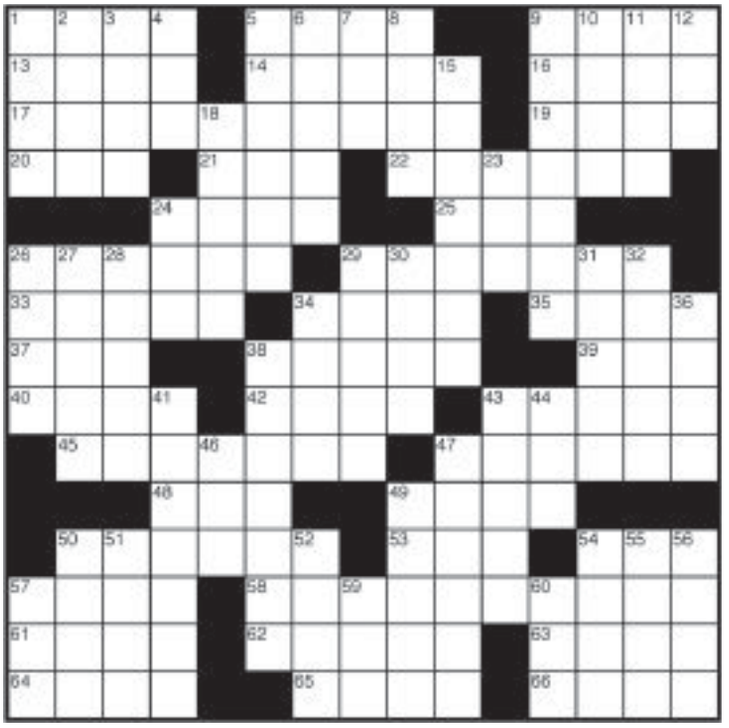

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Aries Your instinct will be to act fast, but if you take a moment to think matters through and plan carefully, you will spare yourself a lot of grief.

Taurus You should participate in any group conversation or prospect that looks interesting. A take-charge attitude will help position you for advancement. Love and romance are in the stars.

Gemini A practical approach to whatever you do will help you stick to a budget and alleviate stress. Listen to an offer and ask questions. Avoid getting involved in an unstable situation.

Cancer Don't give in to demands or ultimatums. Deal with matters swiftly in order to have time to enjoy a few hours with someone who makes you feel good about yourself.

Leo Reconnect with old friends and colleagues. Visiting an old hangout will help resolve an emotional matter that has been holding you back. An investment will help your situation.

Virgo Discuss your plans with anyone affected by your decisions. Anger will solve nothing, but incorporating others' suggestions will help you avoid opposition. Offer incentives and rewards.

Libra Try something different, new and exciting. It will give you the pick-me-up you need, and will provide some ideas that will encourage personal or professional changes.

Scorpio Consider every angle before you start something new. A partnership with someone who has as much to bring to the table as you looks rewarding. Romance is encouraged.

Sagittarius As soon as you deviate from what you promised to do, you will be put in an awkward position. Avoid a run-in with someone with the power to make your life miserable.

Capricorn Don't let your emotions take the reins. A balanced attitude will help you get the most out of what you do. Make suggestions, but don't let anyone lean on you.

Aquarius Resolve pending issues or try for a position that you feel suits your skill set. Do your best to bring about positive change. Go after exactly what you want.

Pisces Step up your game and take care of business before someone else takes charge. You will be ridiculed if you don't do your share, but rewarded for your effort. **EUGENIA LAST**

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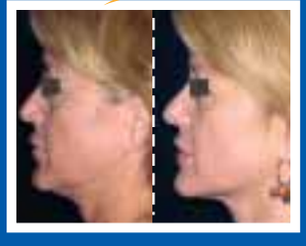
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